

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0059] with the following amended paragraph:

[0059] (where, R16 represents an alkyl group or alkenyl group having 7 to 21 carbon atoms,  $n$  and  $m$  are the same or different and each represent an integer of 1 to 3, Z represents a hydrogen atom or  $(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2)_p\text{COOY}$  (where,  $p$  is an integer of 1 to 3, Y is an alkali metal, an alkaline-earth metal, or organic amine).)

Please replace paragraph [0083] with the following amended paragraph:

[0083]        Examples 1 to 6 and Comparative Examples 1 to [6] 4  
Solid soaps of Examples 1 to 6 and Comparative Examples 1 to 6 were produced from the solid soap compositions with formulations listed in Table 1. It should be noted that in Table 1, the mixing amounts of the components are shown in wt%.